LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1383

BY FINANCE COMMITTEE

1 AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEYS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE FOR THE PUB-2 LIC HEALTH SERVICES DIVISION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015; LIMITING THE NUM-3 BER OF AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS; PROVIDING FOR GEN-4 5 ERAL FUND TRANSFERS TO THE COOPERATIVE WELFARE FUND; DIRECTING EXPEN-DITURES FOR TRUSTEE AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT 6 FOR PROGRAM INTEGRITY; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE INTENT REGARDING TRICARE 7 VACCINES; AND PROVIDING GUIDANCE FOR EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION. 8

9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Health and Welfare for the Public Health Services Division, the following amounts to be expended according to the designated programs and expense classes, from the listed funds for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015:

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15		FOR	FOR	FOR	TRUSTEE AND				
16		PERSONNEL	OPERATING	CAPITAL	BENEFIT				
17		COSTS	EXPENDITURES	OUTLAY	PAYMENTS	TOTAL			
18	I. PHYSICAL HEALTH SERVICES:								
19	FROM:								
20	Cooperative Welfare (General)								
21	Fund	\$1,349,000	\$2,143,200		\$1,084,600	\$4,576,800			
22	Idaho Immunization Dedicated Vaccine								
23	Fund		18,970,000			18,970,000			
24	Cancer Control								
25	Fund	52,400	228,200		123,400	404,000			
26	Central Tumor Registry								
27	Fund				182,700	182,700			
28	Cooperative Welfare (Dedicated)								
29	Fund	1,644,700	3,861,700		10,186,700	15,693,100			
30	Cooperative Welfare (Federal)								
31	Fund	5,982,900	6,920,200		38,655,800	51,558,900			
32	TOTAL	\$9,029,000	\$32,123,300		\$50,233,200	\$91,385,500			

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2		FOR	FOR	FOR	TRUSTEE AND				
3		PERSONNEL	OPERATING	CAPITAL	BENEFIT				
4		COSTS	EXPENDITURES	OUTLAY	PAYMENTS	TOTAL			
5	II. EMERGENCY MEDI	CAL SERVICES:							
6	FROM:								
7	Emergency Medical Services								
8	Fund	\$1,576,600	\$909,100		\$220,000	\$2,705,700			
9	Emergency Medical Services III								
10	Fund				1,400,000	1,400,000			
11	Cooperative Welfare (Dedicated)								
12	Fund	449,100	341,300			790,400			
13	Cooperative Welfare (Federal)								
14	Fund	739,400	1,286,300		4,517,100	6,542,800			
15	TOTAL	\$2,765,100	\$2,536,700		\$6,137,100				
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16	III. LABORATORY SERVICES:								
17	FROM:								
18	Cooperative Welfare (General)								
19	Fund	\$1,481,700	\$454,300	\$258,400		\$2,194,400			
20	Cooperative Welfare (Dedicated)								
21	Fund	432,100	199,300			631,400			
22	Cooperative Welfare (Federal)								
23	Fund	901,600	949,000	0		1,850,600			
24	TOTAL	\$2,815,400	\$1,602,600	_		\$4,676,400			
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25	GRAND TOTAL	\$14,609,500	\$36,262,600	\$258,400	\$56,370,300	\$107,500,800			

SECTION 2. FTP AUTHORIZATION. In accordance with Section 67-3519, Idaho Code, the Department of Health and Welfare is authorized no more than two hundred thirteen and five-tenths (213.5) full-time equivalent positions for the Public Health Services Division at any point during the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015, unless specifically authorized by the Governor. The Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee will be notified promptly of any increased positions so authorized.

SECTION 3. GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS. As appropriated, the State Controller shall make transfers from the General Fund to the Cooperative Welfare Fund, periodically, as requested by the director of the Department of Health and Welfare and approved by the Board of Examiners.

SECTION 4. TRUSTEE AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 67-3511, Idaho Code, funds budgeted in the trustee and benefit payments expenditure class shall not be transferred to any other expense class during fiscal year 2015.

 SECTION 5. PROGRAM INTEGRITY. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Health and Welfare shall be required to provide those services authorized or mandated by law in each program, only to the extent of funding and available resources appropriated for each budgeted program.

SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE INTENT REGARDING TRICARE VACCINES. The Legislature continues to recognize the potential gap in coverage created by TRI-CARE's refusal to participate in the Idaho Immunization Program. The Legislature continues to support and encourage the executive branch in its efforts to negotiate a solution with TRICARE that does not rely on General Fund support. Further, it is the intent of the Legislature that moneys appropriated to purchase TRICARE vaccinations are to be used solely for that purpose and any moneys not expended for TRICARE vaccines are to be reverted back to the General Fund at the close of the fiscal year or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

SECTION 7. EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION. It is the intent of the Legislature, working cooperatively with the Governor's Office, the Division of Human Resources, and the Division of Financial Management, to progress toward the goal of funding a competitive salary and benefit package that will attract qualified applicants, retain employees committed to public service excellence, motivate employees to maintain high standards of productivity, and reward employees for outstanding performance by:

- 1) Adjusting the compensation schedule upwards by 1% to move the salary structure toward market; and
- 2) Continuing the job classifications that are currently on payline exception to address specific recruitment or retention issues; and
- 3) Funding an ongoing 1% salary increase for state employees, and funding the equivalent of a one-time 1% bonus for state employees, based upon employee merit, with flexibility in distribution as determined by the agency directors.

The Legislature also finds that investing in state employee compensation should remain a high priority even in tough economic times, and therefore strongly encourages agency directors, institution executives and the Division of Financial Management to approve the use of salary savings to provide either one-time or ongoing merit increases for deserving employees and also to target employees who are below policy compensation. Such salary savings could result from turnover and attrition, or be the result of innovation and reorganization efforts that create savings. Such savings should be reinvested in employees. Agencies are cautioned to use one-time funding for one-time payments and ongoing funding for permanent pay increases.